Year	Figures in rupees
2002	23477294
2003	30815104
2004	25900967
2005	32787964
2006	37113251

Captive coal mining

2579. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government plan to allocate 38 coal blocks for captive coal mining to the power, iron, steel and cement sectors;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the applications have since been invited from the concerned agencies;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) by when these blocks are likely to be allocated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. The advertisement was issued by the Government in the month of November, 2006 inviting applications from eligible companies for allocation of 38 coal blocks for captive mining to be submitted by January 12,2007. Total of 1422 applications have been received.

(e) The allocation of coal blocks will depend on the time by which views/ comments of the State Governments and Administrative Ministries concerned are obtained and the recommendations of the Screening Committee constituted for the purpose are received. No definite date can be given at this stage.

Difference in transportation rates of SECL

2580. SHRI RAMADHAR KASHYAP: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: